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C O N F I D E N T I A L BAMA KO 3480

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ML PINT PINS GE

SUBJECT: JOSEPH MARA VISITS EAST BERLIN

1. MALI'S OFFICIAL DAILY ANNOUNCED SEPTEMBER 29 THAT LT. COL. JOSEPH MARA LEFT BAMA KO THAT DAY ON A "PRIVATE" VISIT TO THE GDR AT THE INVITATION OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE UNIFIED SOCIALIST PARTY OF GERMANY.

2. MARA IS ONE OF THE 11 MEMBERS OF THE RULING MILITARY COMMITTEE FOR NATIONAL LIBERATION, BUT ONE WHOSE PRECISE DUTIES HAVE NEVER BEEN CLARIFIED SINCE HE STEPPED DOWN AS MINISTER OF JUSTICE IN SEPTEMBER 1975. WE BELIEVE THAT HE MAY NOW BE SERVING AS THE LINK BETWEEN THE COMMITTEE AND THE NEW POLITICAL PARTY ANNOUNCED BY PRESIDENT TRAORE LAST SEPTEMBER AND THAT HE IS WORKING TO ENSURE THAT PARTY WILL CONFIRM TO SOVIET-EAST GERMAN LINES OF ORGANIZATION AND CONTROL.

3. ANYTHING DEPARTMENT OR ADDRESSEE POSTS CAN PASS ON ABOUT MARA'S ACTIVITIES IN THE GDR WOULD BE OF INTEREST TO BAMA KO.

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